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FOR: DILUENT FOR NOROVIRUS OR SAPOVIRUS SPECIMEN AND METHOD

FOR DETECTING VIRUS

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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The Applicants thank Examiner Li for withdrawing the rejections of record and note that the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance are not inconsistent with their prior arguments.

On April 26, 2011, the undersigned contacted Examiner Li regarding the interview conducted December 2, 2011. While claims 55 and 60 were discussed, no amendments to the claims were required for allowance, and the Examiner indicated that it was unnecessary for the Applicants to summarize the substance of the interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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